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1. Soviet Charge d'Affaires Igor Budarin's recent discussion with Argentine Foreign Minister Bramuglia regarding the dissolution of the Union Eslava* took place as a result of instructions received by Budarin from Moscow. Following the action against Union Eslava, Budarin cabled his government for directions and was informed that he should ask Bramuglia for an explanation inasmuch as several Soviet groups were concerned.
2. [] has advised that the dissolution decree was the principal reason for Budarin's visit to the Foreign Office but that the Charge took advantage of this meeting to emphasize the need for resuming normal commercial relations between the Soviet Union and Argentina.
3. Budarin conferred with Czechoslovak Minister Alexander Kunosi and Polish Minister Stefan Szumowski to ascertain if they had received instructions on the Union Eslava dissolution from their governments. Kunosi stated he had received no instructions. Szumowski replied that he did not contemplate taking any action since he had informed his government many months ago that it might be embarrassing to the Warsaw government if Polish citizens in Argentina became involved in such well-known Communist organizations as the Union Eslava. Szumowski affirmed that his government had approved his policy of encouraging local Polish groups to stay out of Communist activities in Argentina.
4. Officials of Slav Communist organizations who are being investigated for possible deportation proceedings have full confidence in the negotiations being conducted on their behalf by Budarin.**

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